

Criswell Discusses Visits With Catholic And



Men and Boys in Missions Brotherhood Commission



House Group Said Planning Aid For Religious Schools

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This would appear to run counter to the Supreme Court's recent ruling that government may not subsidize even the secular subjects in church schools.

"Congress does not enjoy exemption from findings of the Supreme Court. Under our system it is a prime responsibility of the Court to apply constitutional standards to the work of the legislature branch.

This the Court has now done in regard to government subsidies to the per capita student expenditure in the district.

The new program would be in addition to programs already in effect and could rise within five years to more than 30 percent of total school costs.

Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, was critical of the provision which would make subsidy to Catholic and other church schools obligatory. His comment follows:

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church schools. Congress should, of course, respect the findings of the Court and shape its school aid program accordingly.

When Congressmen sit down with church school lobbyists they should remind them of the Court's opinion and of the barrier to church school subsidies which it has erected.

The efforts of these lobbyists are clericalism, pure and simple. Their current pressures on Congress are the sort of thing we shall face continuously, if its leaders do not learn how to say 'No' to predatory clerics."

State Man Vice-Chairman

SBC Agency Urges Seminary Courses

OKLAHOMA CITY (BP) — The Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, meeting here for its annual session, urged each of the six Southern Baptist seminaries to investigate the possibility of establishing a chair of Christian stewardship by 1975.

The action came in approval of a resolution which stated that "there exists a crucial need for a deeper theological understanding of the doctrine of Christian stewardship by ministers and other vocational church leaders."

The commission also took actions calling for plans for the celebration in 1975 of the 50th anniversary of the Cooperative Program, the denomination's unified budget plan which supports financially each state convention and 19 agencies of the SBC.

Elected new chairman of the commission was A. Rudolph Fagan, pastor of Delaney Street Baptist Church, Orlando, Fla. He succeeds Joe L. Ingram, executive secretary-elect for the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma and host for the meeting.

New vice chairman was W. R. Roberts, SBC Annuity Board representative for Mississippi, and named secretary was William J. Purdue, pastor of First Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn.

Commission staff members were requested to work with the SBC Executive Committee and its executive secretary in selecting a planning committee to initiate plans for the 50th anniversary celebration, and to request sufficient funds to carry out the

plans from the SBC Executive Committee.

Another proposal called for a feasibility study on holding a national seminar related to a biblical study of mission support no later than 1975 the anniversary year. Such a seminar would be planned in conjunction with other SBC boards and agencies related to missions.

A recommendation from the commission's Cooperative Program promotion committee suggested that recognitions be made on both national and state levels to state conventions that have shown a significant increase in cooperative program giving over a three to five year period, to the top

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Carl F. H. Henry

America May Have Passed Leadership Peak

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — Evangelical theologian Carl F. H. Henry has warned that the United States may have passed its peak of moral and spiritual leadership in the world, and that the nation may have no longer than the 1970s to experience a spiritual reawakening.

"America's problems at home put a question mark over what it says to the world," Dr. Henry said in an interview with Religious News Service. He spoke with RNS after the Jerusalem Conference on Biblical

Prophecy, of which he was program chairman.

Dr. Henry is perhaps the United States' leading evangelical spokesman. He was a charter faculty member at Fuller Theological Seminary, was founding editor and now editor-at-large of Christianity Today magazine, and currently is professor-at-large at Eastern Baptist Seminary in Philadelphia. Recently he spent a year at Cambridge.

In his various remarks at the conference and in his interview, he con-

tinually used the resurrection of Jesus Christ as his frame of reference, not only in interpreting present day events but in anticipating the Second Coming of Christ.

As for the United States, Dr. Henry told the interviewer, "it may have passed its peak of moral and spiritual world influence." During his address at the Jerusalem conference, Dr. Henry departed from his text to admonish the 1,200 participants, most of them Americans:

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DALLAS (BP) — In a sermon relating his recent visit with Pope Paul VI and two high-ranking Jewish rabbis in Jerusalem, former Southern Baptist Convention President W. A. Criswell told worshippers here they should extend their open arms of love and fellowship to Catholics and Jews alike.

Declaring that Baptists should have "no rancor, no bitterness, no condemnation, no vengeance" in their relationships with Catholics and Jews, Criswell told the Sunday morning

crowd that this "is not the way of Christ, the way of our Lord, the way of God."

"Can we not in true faith hold our arms like the arms of the cross out and embrace all mankind, not in hatred or in bitterness, but in love and prayer and invitation asking them to share with us the life we have found in Christ Jesus?" Criswell asked.

Criswell related his own personal experience and that shared by 413 participants in a tour he led to the

Holy Land and the seven churches of Asia Minor during the Sunday morning sermon entitled, "The Pope, the Rabbi and the Pastor."

In an unprecedented development, the group was invited by Pope Paul VI to the Vatican for a personal audience with the Roman Catholic ruler. They were escorted into the papal chambers where, according to Criswell, "he receives only kings and queens and presidents and heads of state."

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Trustees Request New Writer For Commentary

RIDGECREST, N. C. (BP) — The elected trustees of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board voted here to comply with the action of the Southern Baptist Convention at St. Louis with regard to Volume I of The Broadman Bible Commentary.

In semi-annual meeting at Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly marked by prayerful and conciliatory deliberation, the trustees approved by a vote of 34-21 this motion:

"In response to the action of the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis regarding Volume I of the Broadman Bible Commentary, we request and authorize the administration seek to secure a new author for the commentary on the text of Genesis, also to report to the January meeting of the board the progress achieved and any developments or complications calling for further direction or authorization by the board."

Trustee president Conrad Willard of Miami, Fla., occasionally loosened parliamentary procedure during the five-hour discussion by the full board in order to give trustees an opportunity to express their thinking as fully and as freely as possible. Several motions and substitute motions were presented, though not necessarily voted upon. Most of these were variations on the motion finally passed, stated in an attempt to make the most positive response to the convention action.

The motion which was adopted was essentially the same as the recommendation made by a committee consisting of the plans and policies and Broadman committees of the board. The joint committee met for about four hours before the convening of the

board, through the elected trustees and administration, honestly felt that it was carrying out the expressed wishes of the Denver convention, but was faced with a motion in St. Louis which denied that this was being done;

The Denver action by the SBC in June 1970, adopted by a vote of 5,304 to 2,170 stated that Volume I of the Broadman Commentary "is out of keeping with the beliefs of the vast majority of Southern Baptist pastors and people," and requested that it be withdrawn from distribution and re-written "with due consideration of the conservative viewpoint."

Executive Secretary - Treasurer

James L. Sullivan presented to the joint committee a lengthy paper giving a summary narrative of the development of the commentary from its inception to the present time. In the paper, he pointed out several perplexing factors in the situation, including the following:

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... The literal carrying out of the St. Louis action would require selection of one writer to rewrite the entire volume including all the general articles as well as the Genesis and Exodus comments. This would take three to five years of work by a com-

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SBC Compliance Is Voted By BSSB

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er than elected board members, and to approve a record 1971-72 budget.

Action on the commentary came after a five-hour discussion which centered around possible alternative actions which might be taken in order to comply with the Southern Baptist Convention action in St. Louis.

By a vote of 34-21, the trustees finally approved a motion similar to one proposed by its plans and policies committee and the Broadman committee, which had discussed the matter for four hours before the trustees meeting.

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Trustees voted to change the designation of elected board members to "Trustees of the Sunday School Board." Clarification in communication was given as the reason for this change. The trustees had previously been designated as elected board members of the Sunday School Board.

The new title is designed to help clarify the thinking of Baptist people by making a clearer distinction between the persons elected by the convention to direct the affairs of the agency and the persons employed to administer the agency.

A record net sales budget of \$43,786,684 for the year 1971-72 was adopted. This is an increase of \$418,314 over the present budget.

Regarding church literature, the trustees voted to combine several periodicals and drop two items. Those affected are:

1. Combine: Source for Leaders, Skill for Leaders, and Now for Leaders into one periodical to be named The Adult Church Training Guide issued quarterly effective with the April - May - June, 1972 issue.

2. Combine: The Collegiate Teacher and Context, into one periodical to be named Context, and issued quarterly effective with the April - May - June, 1972 issue.

4. Drop: Uniform Lesson Recording, effective April 1972.

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Trustees Request New Writer

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gent scholar. Convention discussion indicated that this was not the will of the body, although the motion did not make the matter clear.

Because of the rotating system of board members, three sets of trustees have taken office and new men are constantly dealing with this project started by predecessors of their predecessors;

Some Southern Baptists oppose any type of commentary published by their own publishing house regardless of content;

The Bible Teachers Commentary, designed for study by large numbers of individuals including preachers and laymen, is now in production and will be available in 1972 as one-volume commentary. The volume was requested by vote of the convention in 1965 in Dallas. This commentary has been in the process of development simultaneously with The Broadman Bible Commentary;

Criticism of the Broadman Bible Commentary has come before all the volumes have been printed and distributed, making impossible an objective evaluation in the proper perspective;

Failure of many to understand the target group for this commentary; the serious Bible scholar who is prepared to deal with such depth study;

Inability of the Sunday School Board to secure the privilege of making comprehensive oral annual reports to the convention in session;

Changes of leadership and organization in Broadman Press during the period of development of the commentary.

The trustees pondered the complexities of the situation along with possible alternate courses of action during a discussion which consumed about four hours during the first night of the meeting, and an additional hour the following morning. The night session was marked by openness on the part of trustees and a desire to find the best possible solution to the complex problem. At one point, a call for prayer in the midst of deliberation seemed to add a further meaningful dimension to an already spiritual session. A number of the trustees spontaneously sought the guidance of the Holy Spirit in a special way in the continuance of the discussion.

Two points of view prevailed in the discussion. One of these was to the effect that the convention had acted in a manner that required further interpretation before responsible action could be taken by the trustees. The other suggested that the trustees were under a clear mandate of the convention, and that this mandate should be followed.

Trustee Stuart Grizzard of Washington, D. C., protested the concept which calls for the suppression of expression of opinions. In dealing with a matter such as a commentary, he said, "we need to remember that it's the Bible that is infallible, not the interpretation." He further acknowledged that the board is obligated to take action consistent with what the convention requested.

Enoch Brown of Columbia, S. C., called for responding "affirmatively to the owner of this board, the Southern Baptist Convention, trusting the judgment of the administration in carrying out our action."

The phrase "to seek to secure" a new author was explained during the discussion as being necessary because of the practical difficulty of obtaining the services of a competent scholar to do the job in view of the history of the entire project thus far. Author of the original work on Genesis was G. Henton Davies, principal of Regent's Park College, Oxford, England.

During the lengthy discussion, nearly every trustee present expressed his views. Although there was disagreement in matters of detail and philosophy, there was no substantial effort to follow any course other than seeking to implement the expressed will of the convention. Some felt that the trustees should seek further clarification from the convention, while others felt that the intention of the convention was clear, even though the actions themselves might have seemed ambiguous.

Much of the debate covered expressions which had been voiced at the meeting of trustees following the Denver Convention. The trustees noted a

considerable amount of duplication of expression in the Ridgecrest meeting. In informal conversation after the meeting, Executive Secretary-Treasurer Sullivan spoke of the eagerness of the administration to implement the actions of the convention and of the trustees.

"We are interested in doing what is right," he said. "This includes placing high priority on promoting harmony among those in our convention with varying points of view. I plan to seek out further expression of varying viewpoints as I work toward carrying out this board action, and am pledged both to the preservation of our fellowship and to the production of useful and effective materials."

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5. Drop: Test Your Knowledge, (both Convention and Life and Work), effective Jan. 1972.

The trustees approved three persons to head departments, effective immediately. Ray Conner, church music department, was named secretary for the church recreation department.

Don Early, manager of administrative services staff, was named manager of the newly created manpower development department.

William S. (Bill) Graham, manager of campus stores department, was elected manager of the eastern stores department of the Book Store Division.

Official names for all departments and divisions of the board were established by trustee action. These become effective Oct. 1, 1971.

Only minor changes were made in the names of most departments. The trustees did not change the name of the Sunday School department, although it had been previously announced the department name would be changed to Bible teaching department.

On recommendation of the book store committee, the trustees authorized a pilot test of a new retail sales channel to the general public.

The test will include a selected book inventory designed to help people grow. Much of the material will be unapologetically Christian, board officials said.

Two stores will be established in high traffic areas such as shopping centers. Approval was given for the first store to be located in Birmingham, Ala.

Another part of the new retail sales concept of the Book Store Division will include the placement of 100 to 200 book racks in outlets not owned by the board.

W. O. Thomason, director of the Book Store Division, said of the new sales outlet, "We want to help people around like Christ in the way of life. The Baptist Book Store . . . many Southern Baptists, some of other denominations, and perhaps some with no church affiliation. However, we believe we must use an additional channel for reaching those who do not shop at a book store bearing the Baptist name."

In other action the trustees expressed gratitude and appreciation for W. L. Howse and Keith C. Von Hagen, for their long service to the denomination.

Howse, director of the board's Edu-

cation Division, and Von Hagen, director of the board's Book Store Division, will retire in September.

Conrad R. Willard of Miami, Fla., was elected to serve a second term as president of the trustees. Roy W. Babb, Nashville, was elected chairman of the executive committee. Norris G. Hite, Nashville, was elected recording secretary.

The next meeting of the trustees will be held in Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 24-25, 1972.

Baptist Hospital . . .

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On the second day of heavy fighting, a shell believed to be a tracer bullet whizzed "like a ball of fire" just in front of Miss Calhoun as she walked between the hospital and the nurses residence. The bullet struck a small tree and ignited it. Miss Calhoun was unharmed and returned immediately to duty in the hospital.

Many wounded were placed two-in-a-bed in the 50-bed facility, already occupied by a large number of patients. Others were confined to mattresses on the floor, which were borrowed from Baptist campground equipment. Most of the seriously injured were evacuated to other hospitals after receiving emergency treatment.

The Jordanian army loaned several doctors to the hospital staff during the most difficult hours of the emergency.

Late in the first day, several civilians wounded by stray bullets arrived. They were victims of a battle which developed between army and commando forces firing from opposite hillsides which rise on either side of the village of Ajloun.

While the hospital staff worked to save the lives of the wounded, the battle raged in all the hills encircling Ajloun. Artillery, mortars, rockets, tanks and machine guns roared on all sides, raining windows or houses buildings. Columns of dust and smoke rose from the forest slopes.

One shell exploded on hospital property so near that plaster fell from the ceiling of the operating room where Dr. Fitzgerald was performing surgery on an injured soldier. No one was hurt in that explosion.

Fighting continued for several days throughout the hills of Gilead and in the Debbin Forest where Baptists have property. On the hospital compound itself bullets tore through the pine trees and ricocheted between buildings.

Ajloun was cut off from the rest of Jordan. Both military and civilian casualties, 80 in three days, continued to come to the hospital.

On the afternoon of July 15, Dr. Fitzgerald labored most of the afternoon over a 12-year-old boy who had stepped on a land mine. With one foot gone, an arm in shreds and multiple wounds all over his body, the child's survival was doubtful. But the morning following surgery, the boy sat up in bed, said he felt good and asked for food.

Numerous casualties previously treated at the Baptist hospital had been commandoes, but this time circumstances prevented them from reaching Ajloun. One commando was already a patient at the hospital when the fighting began.

Dr. Fitzgerald, a native of Springfield, Mo., worked in Tulsa, Oklahoma City and Memphis before appointment as a missionary in 1966. Mrs. Fitzgerald, a registered nurse, is a native of Oklahoma.

Miss Calhoun, a native of Lexington and Hazard, Ky., was employed as a missionary associate by the SBC Foreign Mission Board in July, 1970.

In addition to the Fitzgeralds and Miss Calhoun, the only Southern Baptist missionaries present at the time of the battle were the J. Wayne Fuller family of Beirut, Lebanon. Fuller is a former California pastor. Mrs. Fuller, press representative for the Lebanon Baptist Mission, is a native of Wynne, Arkansas.

The Fullers had gone to Ajloun from Beirut "for a nice quiet vacation."



Forty-two new missionaries named by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board on July 13 receive certificates of appointment or employment from Executive Secretary Baker J. Cautherl (back to camera) as board members,

employees and guests look on. The evening appointment service took place in the chapel at board headquarters in Richmond, Va. (Photo by W. Robert Hart)

Criswell Discusses Visits

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As the large Baptist group waited in the Sala Clementina (Pope Clement VIII Hall), the pope entered and bowed. Dressed in white robes, his arms were outstretched in welcome. An interpreter and two cardinals accompanied him, Criswell said.

Pope Paul, in a prepared address, called the visit of the Baptist group to the Vatican "a striking and perhaps unique illustration of a new spirit of friendship among those who call upon the name of Christ."

"We are pleased to encounter, under such a distinguished leader as Dr. W. A. Criswell, members of a Christian communion which since the foundation of your great nation has played so full a part in the development of the evangelizing and Christian education . . . of America," he continued.

The pope concluded by expressing hope that the visit would be "an effective sign of a new effort at mutual understanding and closer cooperation between Catholics and Baptists."

After his brief address in English, Pope Paul presented to Criswell a "beautiful, bound leather copy of Simon Peter's letters to the churches," and warmly greeted the Baptist pastor with both hands.

Later, in Jerusalem, Criswell and members of the tour group attended a state dinner for the general director of the ministry of religious affairs, and spent an evening with Rabbi Shmuel Nathan, chairman of the advisory committee for the department of tourism. Rabbi Nathan presented to Criswell Israel's State Medal.

In his sermon, Criswell asked his congregation: "When Pope Paul offered his hand to me, did I compromise the faith when I offered my hand back again in love and friendship? When Rabbi Nathan offered his hand to me, did I repudiate my Baptist faith and heritage in offering my hand in love and friendship in return?"

He answered his question with more questions: "What is it to be a Baptist? Is it that I find myself in some corner and there I bite and snarl and cut and with all the language at my command with vitriolic and acrimonious speech, I denounce and condemn? Or is it somebody who has found the Lord as his Savior and in love and in prayer and in sympathy and intercession seeks to hold up the cross of Christ and to invite all men everywhere to find in him life eternal?"

Criswell quoted former Baylor University President W. H. White as saying that fundamental, Bible-believing Baptists have the best doctrine and the worst spirit of any group in the earth. "They have the truth of God but present it in anger and criticism, caustic, vindictive, vitriolic, condemnatory, full of judgment and condemnation."

This is not the way of God, however, Criswell said. "Have we not had enough on the pages of bitter and bloody history of hatred and bitterness and conflict?"

Although he did not refer to it in his sermon, Criswell also visited in the Vatican with Jan Cardinal Willemse, president of the Woman Cath-

olic Secretariat for Christian Unity.

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"We no longer can see the Kingdom of God through American lens, or white Protestant - tinted lens," Dr. Henry said.

The judgment of God is scrutinizing all nations and all culture and doesn't exempt even theologians."

Danish Baptists Plan Dialogue With Others

FREDERIKSHAVN, Denmark (BP)

— During their annual conference meeting here, the Danish Baptist Union voted to hold a synod in 1974 to provide an opportunity for dialogue between Danish Baptists and observers from other denominations on belief, and on ethics related to current issues.

The Union also voted to establish a combined headquarters office in Copenhagen for their varied ministries.

According to a report in European Baptist Press Service, the office will

probably begin with one or more em-

ployees handling routine duties for the general secretary, the youth secre-

tary and the Sunday School secretary.



Two More "Bootstrappers" At Carey

Two more "Bootstrappers" have joined the summer ranks of students at William Carey College. Eager to earn their bachelor degrees, Roger Cloutier, right, and J. B. Moore have dived into concentrated courses. Cloutier, on leave from Brooks Air Force Base, is a Master Sergeant and majoring in social science. He lacks

only a year of study. J. B. Moore is a Major in the U. S. Army and served his last tour of duty in Vietnam as an aviator. He is majoring in social studies and minoring in mathematics and will receive the bachelor degree in May of 1972. Carey College is now in the third week of the last summer school session which will end on August 13.

Broadmoor Choir Plans Western Tour

"The Notations," the religious-folk ensemble of Broadmoor Baptist Church, Jackson, will tour with the forty-voiced Chapel Choir, August 9-23. The fifteen-day Concert Tour will take the singers to Palm Springs, California, with concerts in Jackson, Mississippi; Fort Worth, Texas; Phoenix, Arizona; Palm Springs, California; Las Vegas, Nevada; Albuquerque, New Mexico; Pampa, Texas; Fort Smith, Arkansas; and Arkadelphia, Arkansas. They will visit places of interest along the way. Some of the "key" stops will include Carlsbad Caverns, Juarez, Mexico, Disneyland, Hoover Dam, the Grand Canyon, and the Petrified Forest.

"The Notations" were chosen by audition from the membership of the Chapel Choir. They will be featured on each of the choir's concert programs and more extensively in the fellowship programs to follow. Their repertoire includes both secular and contemporary religious-folk music. They are accompanied by guitar, bass, drums, and piano. This versatile senior high group has appeared on television, at Coffee Houses fellowship programs, banquets, and in church worship services.

The Broadmoor Chapel Choir is composed of senior high and college youth. Many of the youth on the 1971 tour participated in the highly successful 1970 tour through the Southeast and to Washington D. C. Their repertoire included many standard choral selections, as well as other more contemporary pieces.

"The Messengers" an auditioned choral speech group directed by Barbara Hamilton will also be featured on tour. They will present oral interpretations of several chosen text.

The Choir, "The Notations," and "The Messengers" may be heard in their "home" concert Sunday evening, August 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Broadmoor Baptist Church, 787 E. Northside Dr.

"The Notations" are: Bob Mayes, Ruth Nelson, Sam Keyes, Tommy Lucius, Brenda Gazaway, Gordon Ray Sullivan, Susan Oliver, Ronnie Pevey, Nancy Bennett, Dodd Bouchillon, Olivia Grant, Susan Clark, Wallace Berry, and LaNell Lucius.

Other members of the choir to make the tour are: Cindy Barnes, Hubert Bass, Susan Billingsley, Vern Boothe, Barbara Bush, Debbie Craycraft, Jean Craycraft, Debbie Dallas, Susan Dallas, Georgia Griffin, Jimmy

October Seminar Planned For Church Secretaries

NASHVILLE — A seminar on "The Church Secretary and Her Work" has been announced for October, 18-22 at the Church Program Training Center of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here.

The seminar, sponsored by the church administration department, is aimed at helping the secretary better understand her duties and improve her personal effectiveness. Participants also will study equipment, procedures and processes useful in the church office.

The seminar will be directed by Idus Owensby of the department.

Registration information may be obtained by writing to the Church Program Training Center, 127 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tennessee 37203. A registration fee of \$20 should be included with registrations.

Program information may be obtained by writing Owensby at: Church Administration Department, 127 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tennessee

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25 churches in the SBC in dollar giving through Cooperative Program, and to the top 25 churches in the SBC in percentage of budget to the Cooperative Program.

Each of the recommendations adopted by the commission came from one of three new committees set up by the commission to coordinate the three major programs of the commission — a stewardship development committee, a Cooperative Program promotion committee, and an endowment and capital giving committee.

A recommendation from the stewardship development committee called for an expanded commission emphasis on tithing, including Bible study materials. It said the suggestion was made in the light of recommendations from the commission adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis in June.

In other actions, the commission approved a 1971-72 operating budget of \$236,500, and voted to request a Cooperative Program allocation of \$250,000 for 1972-73.

The commission also asked its staff to work closer with the SBC Education Commission in offering assistance to Baptist institutions in the area of development and to study the need for foundation trustee orientation provided by the commission's endowment and capital giving office.

Sessions for the meeting were held here at the Hilton Hotel. Previous action of the commission had provided for meeting at some city outside Nashville every other year.

Next year the commission will meet July 6-7 in Nashville. In 1973, the meeting is scheduled July 12-13 in Orlando, Fla.



"The Notations," the religious-folk ensemble of Broadmoor Choir that will tour the West are, from left: Bob Mayes, Ruth Nelson, Sam Keyes, Tommy Lucius, Brenda Gazaway, Gordon Ray Sullivan, Susan Oliver, Ronnie Pevey, Nancy Bennett, Dodd Bouchillon, Olivia Grant, Susan Clark, Wallace Berry, and LaNell Lucius.

Hudson, Russell Kersh, Carol Ann Lowther, Howard Lowther, Lynn Lyon, Kathleen Mikell, Wendy Mikell, the Broadmoor Pastor. Traveling with the choir will be Mrs. John Clower, pianist; Rev. Tommy Baddley, assistant to the pastor; John Clower, Coordinator; Mrs. Tommy Baddley, Mrs. Julian Clark, Sponsors; and Mr. Thompson.

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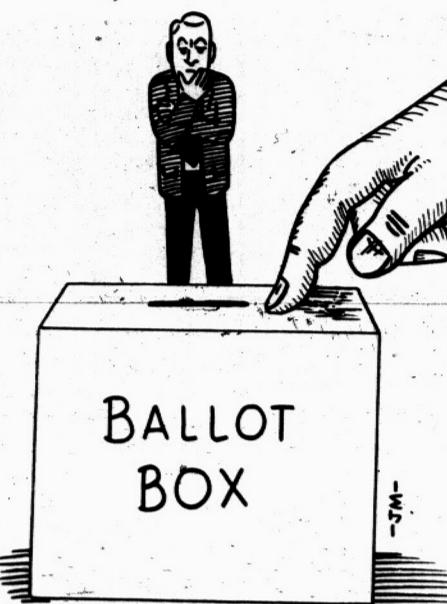
The Ballot - A Christian Responsibility

One of the privileges of living in America is the right of the ballot, the vote for those whom we desire to serve us in offices of government. People who live in communist countries, or other dictator-government countries do not have this privilege. They may be allowed to vote, but there is no free choice, and the government is not "of the people, by the people and for the people."

Here in America it is different. Every citizen can go to the polls and vote for the person of his choice. His candidate may not win but he can know that he had a free hand, and that the will of the majority, all of whom are his fellow citizens, has been done.

Tragically, some American citizens, do not take their citizenship seriously, and fail to exercise their right to vote. The result is that all too often persons are elected, who actually would not have been the choice of the majority had all voted. All too often, too, some of those who did not take the time to vote, criticize and create dissension, because something does not go right in government affairs. Yet, they themselves may have been the very cause

for the poor government, simply because they neglected to go to the polls.



Someone To Hold The Rope

Every few days we receive one of the news letters being mailed out by churches in the "Pioneer Mission Areas" (for Southern Baptists) in the Northwest or the Northeast. Every one of these letters touches our heart, and we find ourselves wanting to give assistance in every case of need.

These letters tell the stories of pastors and people who, in heroic and sacrificial manner, are keeping the work going in the new areas. Many of the pastors find it necessary to accept secular employment in order to remain in the areas, and often the pastor's family is called upon to make tremendous sacrifices. Also, often because of shifting populations and rapidly changing conditions, it is most difficult to develop a solid, self-supporting program. Some of the churches find it very hard to meet their budgets, and expansion and enlargement are next to impossible.

It appears, however, that the most effective work in these areas, usually is found where the churches are receiving regular and continuous support from a church or churches back in the established areas of the convention.

It is because of this that we keep wondering if this may not be the key to the best way to give solid undergirding to churches in the areas in Mississippi has been working with Montana churches for the past several years, and at the same time has given some assistance in other areas. Our Pioneer Missions Committee has led the way in making the contacts and keeping the work in these areas before our churches.

We are wondering if the time has not come when more definite ties should be encouraged between Mississippi Baptist churches and churches in, say, the Montana area. We mention

that particular state because Mississippians have more or less adopted it during the past several years. Could the Pioneer Missions Committee come up with a plan to be presented to the coming convention, whereby efforts would be made to enlist Mississippi churches which could and would take definite responsibility for a church in Montana? The support might be nominal such as \$50, \$100 or \$200 per month, or more, and it might be that several churches could be enlisted to provide continued support for one church. In at least one or two cases this already is being done.

Many Mississippi churches would like to do mission work, but there are few places in this state where new churches are needed. How would it be for such churches to adopt a church in Montana, and thus actually be undergirding a mission point? There are only about 40 churches and another 40 missions in Montana, so the task is not an impossible one.

This is not something which can be done without study, but it seems to us that it needs to be given serious consideration, and that convention action could be taken concerning it as soon as possible. It could be that if it works satisfactorily, other states would want to adopt it.

We are not talking about taking one cent away from the Cooperative Program or associational mission programs. We just believe that there are many Mississippi Baptists who would like to help churches in pioneer areas. Many are doing it now, but it seems to us that it needs to be on a better organized, more substantial basis.

As the old saying goes, these men and churches are working down in the well. They need someone to hold the rope.

We believe it is a Christian responsibility to exercise the franchise to vote. This means that when the polls open for elections all over Mississippi next Tuesday, Baptists, and other Christians, by the hundreds of thousands should go to the polls. Before going these Christian citizens should take the time to learn concerning candidates so that they can vote intelligently, and they should take time to pray for wisdom in casting their ballots.

Mississippi needs the finest possible government during the coming four years. Christian citizens of Mississippi will determine whether it will be that.

Go to the polls and vote as a Christian next Tuesday!

Prayer For A Leader

News reports which came out last week telling of the continuous threats on the life of Billy Graham, would be unbelievable, if we did not know that they are true, and if we were not conscious of the continuous Satanic opposition to such a ministry of preaching the gospel as Dr. Graham carries on.

We first learned of these threats a number of years ago when the Southern Baptist Convention met in Houston and Dr. Graham was one of the speakers. At one of the sessions the late Dr. Chester L. Quarles told us that he sat with Dr. Herchel Hobbs and Dr. Graham. Dr. Hobbs said to Dr. Quarles "Do not point your finger at Billy, or take any unusual action as you talk to him. His life has been threatened tonight, and plain clothes policemen are watching every move of all of those who are anywhere near him." It was difficult to believe that anyone would want to harm such a great and good preacher and leader, but it is so.

There is only one explanation of such threats. Behind all of it is Satan, who is opposed to the mighty ministry of the gospel which Dr. Graham has. He may use some mentally disturbed person, or he may simply fill the heart of some evil person with a determination to destroy the preacher. Paul discusses this in Ephesians 6:12, when he says, "We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Satan is the ruler of the darkness of this world, and he does not want a man to allow his life to be used of God as Billy Graham is.

It is because of this that every one of us should pray daily for Billy Graham, that God may protect him, and keep him, and give him the physical and spiritual strength to continue to preach for many more years to come. The world needs the voice of Billy Graham, and all of us can have a part in his ministry by praying for him. And certainly, when Satan is seeking to destroy him, we can pray for his protection.



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Scared Of Baptist Visit To Pope

Dear Sir:

Your article July 22 in the Record of Dr. W. A. Criswell of Dallas, Texas having a private audience with the Pope at the Vatican scares me "to death" — I don't believe Dr. Criswell knows his Bible as well as I do or he would not have even "slowed down" near the Vatican. What could a visit to the Pope mean to a blood bought Christian? I wonder if Dr. Criswell has read Catholic history — A Catholic Pope and a Christian Baptist have nothing in common. I thank God I have had good Bible teachers through the years and I am at least a Christian with my eyes open and I know the Pope and his church have nothing I need. As Southern Baptists we need to hang our heads in shame to this visit Dr. Criswell and his group made.

Sincerely,

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First Baptist Church

Beyond the Ironing Board

—Wilda Fancher

You know, I've been thinking about us women a lot lately. I've been watching us and wondering where our energies are going and what they are accomplishing when they get there.

I sat under a tree at Garawa back in May and watched women in all sizes and shapes and frames of mind come to be instructed and inspired for the cause of missionary education in our local churches and the extension of missionary evangelism around the world.

As I saw them come I thought that they would leave Garawa in the same sizes and shapes, but I knew that their frames of mind would be different — wider with love, longer with tolerance, deeper with loyalty to teaching missions.

Then I wondered how anybody would go about measuring the amount of energy we women have to spend on a given day? Could it be done? What instruments are available for such reckoning? I guess translating the energy into "horsepower" would not command quite the proper dignity, would it? "Womanpower" would not be much better, and I've heard little about "womanpower."

Then it occurred to me that the instruments for measuring the energy of women are available everywhere. These instruments are the lives of people all over the troubled face of the world who are now Christians but would never have been if the energy of women of every size and shape had not been spent in churches of every size and shape to teach the simple missionary principles: people are lost without Christ, some Christians must go tell, others must stay to send those who go.

Just as lost people are not saved if they're never taught about Christ, neither do Christians go (or help to send) unless they have been taught about missions.

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On The MORAL SCENE...

—Pittsburgh (UPI) — A chemical firm has been convicted in a precedent-setting river pollution case based on evidence collected by two citizens. U. S. Atty. Richard L. Thornburg said David Nixon and John Vavodini, both professors at Pennsylvania State University who collected the evidence, will receive "part" of the fine collected from the firm. Industrial Chemical Corp. of West Elizabeth, Pa., was found guilty Tuesday in a jury trial of dumping solid wastes into the Monongahela River, violating the 1899 Rivers and Harbors Act. "The conviction was the first in the United States obtained in a jury trial based on citizen-furnished information," Thornburg said. Nixon and Vavodini used canoes to travel the rivers of Pittsburgh during the Summer of 1970, collecting samples of drainage from industries along the banks. Often, they paddled up to the plants at night to avoid being noticed.

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Encyclopedia On Zionism And Israel Is Ready

ENCYCLOPEDIA OF ZIONISM AND ISRAEL Edited by Raphael Patai (Herzel Press — McGraw-Hill, 2 large volumes, 1292 double column pp., boxed, \$39.95).

More than 285 writers have been enlisted to bring together the most comprehensive volumes on Zionism and Israel that is to be found in the world today. The more than 3,000 articles deal with every person, place, and event related to Zionism and the re-establishment of Israel as a state. If the reader seeks history of modern Zionism and modern Israel he finds it authoritatively presented here. If he is concerned about geography, and the places in the land, the full report is included. All of the Judaism as it relates to Zionism and the building of Israel are included. It is a fascinating set, for much of the material probably never has been readily available before. One finds the story of Zionism in various countries of the world, and how all worked together in achieving the Zionist dream and goal. Famous names are here as Herzl, Meir, Ben-Gurion, and others who have played a part in the modern miracle of Israel. The Balfour declaration, the Zionist congresses, the holy places, the system of the Kibbutz (commune settlements), the reclaiming of the land, and thousands of other subjects are included. There are hundreds of photographs, and many maps. No serious student of modern Israel and Palestine can have a library on Israel without this new set. It should find an important place not only in private libraries, but in the reference sections of general and church libraries as well.

THE REALITY OF GOD by Louis Cassels (Doubleday, 112 pp., \$4.95).

Louis Cassels is a senior editor of United Press International and writes a weekly col-

umn which is published in hundreds of newspapers called "Religion in America." Mr. Cassels says in his introduction that this book is written for wishful agnostics and reluctant atheists. He says that wishful agnostics are people who want to believe in God, but are held back by doubt as to whether it is intellectually respectable to do so, and reluctant atheists have concluded that God does not exist but are unhappy with their conclusion. He shows why there is disbelief in our modern world and how men can come to a realistic experience that will cause them to know that there is a God. The book is written from his own experience and certainly should be a challenge to intellectuals, both young and old, who are seeking answers to some of life's perplexing questions.

MY LOVE AFFAIR WITH CHARLES by Frances Gardner Hunter (Regal, 197 pp., \$4.95).

Few people have stirred the hearts of those who were seeking a deeper walk with God than Frances Gardner whose three popular books "God Is Fabulous", "Go, Man, Go!", and "Hot Line To Heaven" have had an amazingly wide sale and have been an inspiration to multiplied thousands. Frances Gardner was not saved until she was nearly fifty years of age, but then her life was so completely changed and her heart so moved that she gave herself completely to God. How God has used her is told in these other amazing books. Now we have this new book which is the story of how God brought her and Charles Hunter of Houston, Texas together. Both had lost their first companions and now in their own dedication to God, He brought them together. It is the story of how God brought together two people, circumstances, a Houston CPA and a Miami busi-

ness woman to himself. This is a book of the love letters with some notations to go along with them. The introductions are by Pat and Shirley Boone. If you are a Frances Gardner fan, you will want this book, too. If you have not become acquainted with her, when you have read one you will want to read all of them. They reveal what God can do with a life or lives, when they are completely yielded to him. Do you trust God for everything in your life? These books reveal how completely you can do just that.

CREATIVE MINISTRY by Henri J. M. Nouwen (Doubleday, 110 pp., \$4.95).

A Dutch Roman Catholic priest who formerly taught at Notre Dame University discusses the problems of ministering to people. He reveals how the minister can so organize and plan his life that he becomes creative in his ministry to others.

THE PREACHER'S HERITAGE, TASK, AND RESOURCES by Ralph G. Turnbull, (Baker, 178 pp. paper, \$3.95).

These twelve messages, which are selected from a series of lectures delivered at theological seminaries and ministers' institutes on the preacher and his work, discusses preaching, the preacher's task, and the preacher's resources.

STRANGERS AT THE DOOR by Marcus Bach (Abingdon, 189 pp., \$3.95).

Studies of some of the strange religious groups and developments of our day. Vedas, Yoga, Baha'i, Soka Gakkai, and others are considered. A chapter of the book is given to the Jesus people. In the closing chapter the author reveals what should be the response of the Christian to these groups.

The Jesus Movement: How Will The Church Respond?

By the Baptist Press

What does it mean, this so-called "Jesus movement" that is causing youth across the country to "turn on" to Jesus and his love?

And how will the church respond? How should it respond? Will the movement roll into, or around, the churches? Will the churches embrace it? Run from it? Claim it? Or fight it?

There are no clear answers to some of the questions the Jesus movement raises.

"Maybe only history will be able to properly tag what is taking place," wrote Home Missions Magazine Editor Walker Knight, in an evaluation of the movement. "But I have no doubt we are in the presence of a religious phenomenon within the youth culture..."

"Like the revitalizing movements of history, this turning to Jesus is as fresh and new as dogwood blossoms in spring," Knight wrote.

"In our reporting, we have tried to catch the national pattern to this thing, to capture its stormy, surging feeling and rolling expression — to present a clear picture of what we could no longer ignore: a deeply emotional religious experience rushing West to East across the land," he wrote. "We tried to look without being judgmental and we learned this: you better look — look skeptically if you want, but look..."

In their reporting and investigation, the Baptist Press and Home Missions reporters detected at least three major trends emphasis on love that has evangelism as its response; (2) the moving of the Holy Spirit and the joy, celebration and rapture that results; and (3) a strong belief among youth that Jesus is coming again, soon.

These same three streams (Jesus' love, the Holy Spirit and Jesus' return) were also dominant in the great Shantung revivals in the 1930's in China, said C. L. Culpepper of San Antonio, a retired missionary to China.

The retired China missionaries who were part of those revivals feel God may be preparing the American churches for a national catastrophe like the Communist takeover of China. Missionaries in Indonesia only recently reported the same kind of manifestations breaking out among Baptist missions workers in that country.

If, indeed, a spiritual awakening is happening today, not only among youth but elsewhere, it may be simultaneous with an international world self-consciousness arising from the electronic explosion of communications, from man's venture into space where he gained a new world in the midst of the longest, bloodiest undeclared war in history in Vietnam.

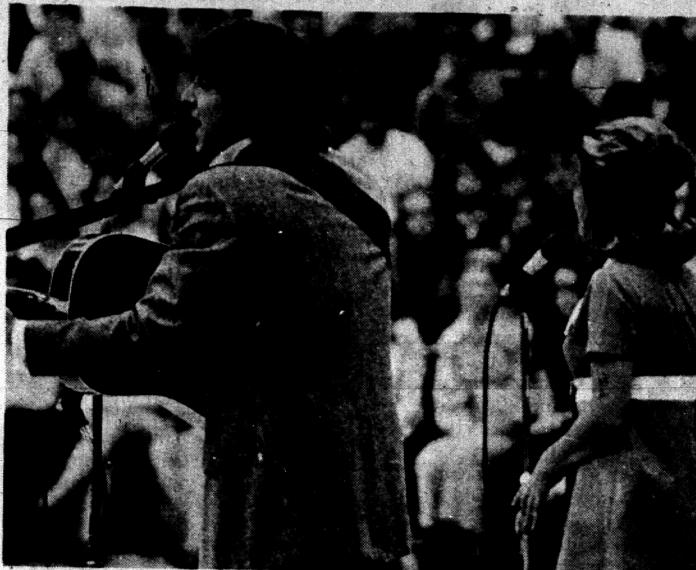
Could it be that the movement is a breakthrough into new cultural patterns? Whenever the Christian faith has become institutionalized and formalized, it has broken out of confining walls with force and vitality.

The kids involved feel the movement is preparation for the imminent return of Jesus Christ, his second coming signaling the end of the world. They feel God is preparing for the evangelization of the world.

And they believe God is powerful enough to do it with or without the institutional church.

The movement does not, however, seem to reflect a hostility toward previous church experience. There are, of course, exceptions. Most of the kids interviewed did feel "cheated" by their previous church life. "Why did it take so long for me to find this, man?" they asked.

"Why didn't someone offer me this before?"



MUSIC IS IN, PREACHING IS OUT, as the primary method of reaching youth with the message of Jesus. The Three-In-One Trio, a rock music group that is part of the Richard Hogue team, attracts a crowd at an unscheduled and voluntary assembly at an Oklahoma high school gymnasium. In Houston the trio and Hogue played, sang and spoke at 80 per cent of the high schools in three months. During the Houston crusade, some 11,000 decisions, including 4,000 professions of faith, were recorded. (BP) Photo

Two young Baptist evangelists, Richard Hogue of Houston and James Robison of Hurst, Tex., are seeking to bridge the gap between the openness of youth to Jesus and the institutional church.

Robison expresses a preference for a church-centered revival, but he questions the possibility. "No great spiritual movement has started in the churches," he said. "I wish it would, because I think it would be more lasting."

Hogue might be one of the best at bridging the obvious gap between the affluent, administratively efficient churches and turned-on young people who don't want any clutter between them and their Jesus.

And his views on the role of the church in the movement are strong. "If we don't discipline these kids — if the Jesus movement fails, it will be the church's responsibility," Hogue said.

"If we just bend a little, I think we'll see the greatest spiritual revival there has ever been," he continued. "But if this Jesus movement doesn't go, man, you can just put it down: the church blew it."

"These kids are open to the church, man," Hogue declared. "It's just a matter of the church being open to the kids."

Hogue is banking on the churches to not only accept the movement, but to cultivate it, nourish it, indoctrinate it, and guide it to maturity.

"I think both the kids and the churches as we see them today will have to give a little," Hogue said. "There's got to be more for kids because churches will never fulfill their needs with Sunday morning services. They need opportunities for spiritual expression and Bible study." He added he felt the church should place more priority on evangelism and spend less on buildings.

The Jesus movement is already sweeping into many churches to varying degrees; but probably the majority of the churches are not yet aware of the manifestations of the phenomenon in other localities.

Some pastors, particularly of the more dignified, affluent congregations, are frankly afraid of anything that is so "out of control."

Said one minister: "We've said we want revival, but I'm afraid we have meant revival that wouldn't change anything. We've wanted to reach our own kind on our own terms."

Some Baptist pastors in Tennessee and North Carolina, for example did not know just how to react when their youth returned from statewide youth evangelism conferences where

the kids "turned on" to Jesus. More than 20,000 overflowed the Greensboro, N. C., coliseum for one rally, and more than 12,000 packed a gymnasium in Nashville.

One pastor came away from a California mass rally depressed, calling it "a Jesus pep rally." Shaking his head, he added, "from a positive standpoint, there are more youth involved, with seemingly greater sincerity, than I've ever seen before. The movement is sweeping radically, and I think it is going to get a lot stronger before it dies out."

"But the superficiality of it alarms me," the pastor said. "I asked one girl about the implications of the gospel (concerning pollution, racial injustice and poverty) and she said indifferently, 'Oh, they're bad. But the main thing is to love Jesus.'"

Another observer said he was excited that so many kids are turned on to Jesus, "but I'm concerned that we take them where they are and equip them to live in this world. How long can they sustain this 'high'? The pep rally can only last so long. What's the next step?"

"I am disturbed about the future," Bisagno said. "If this thing does not become church-centered, I'm afraid it will give rise to all manner of heresies — tongues, snake charmers, etc. There must be church-centered guidance."

John R. Bisagno, pastor of Houston's First Baptist Church which sponsored Hogue's SPIRENO crusade that resulted in 11,000 decisions in four months, strongly believes that the church must

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the Church — the body of Christ and not just the local institution, responds. For the Jesus movement, too, is a part of the Church. It remains to be seen if the institution will embrace these joyous, happy, turned-on kids who have suddenly found Jesus, and bring a depth to the movement that it needs; or if the institutional church will reject them because it did not start the movement.

In an evaluative sermon concerning the Jesus movement, Pastor James Monroe of First Baptist Church, Fort Walton Beach, Fla., raised a few red flags and sounded a few warnings, both for the youth, and for the church. He put it this way:

—One could become attracted to the movement, and not to Jesus; to enjoy the sensations and never know Jesus.

—One could make a superficial attachment to Jesus out of curiosity or personal need, like most of the 5,000 Jesus fed who were satisfied with the bread but never ate of the break of life.

—One could fail to see total involvement of growing spiritually, or to find nurturing fellowship and place of service, or to see the larger implications of one's faith as applied to racism, poverty, war, pollution and other such issues.

Monroe also found these dangers facing the church, and the establishment:

—The temptation to dismiss this as a fad and to fail to see the involvement of the Holy Spirit.

—Continuing the hypocrisy which caused many of the young people to lose respect for the church.

—Staying aloof by failing to open hearts and doors to alienated youth.

Editor Knight, in the special issue of Home Missions magazine covering the phenomenon, offered several other specific suggestions to churches on "how to encourage the movement" or conversely how "to nip it in the bud" by reversing the suggestions. He wrote:

—Maintain an open, uncritical attitude, at least until more information is secured. Refrain from condemning it for such unimportant manifestations as applause or cheering.

—Be flexible enough to allow joy and celebration to be expressed in new forms in worship services.

—Allow young people leadership roles, but do not permit deviations of doctrines. Make sure it is not culture or tradition you are defending, however. Knight quoted one pastor as saying he was concerned that the youth would incorrectly interpret the Scripture, but he soon found them to be intelligent and perceptive. If one goes off track, someone else would straighten him out.

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HELP RECRUIT — Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lambuth (seated) of McComb attended a day-long recruitment seminar at Mississippi College this week sponsored by the Office of Admissions. They are among prominent alumni in various parts of the state and South who have volunteered their efforts in recruiting students in their local communities for Mississippi College. Van D. Quick (standing), admissions director, explains the packet of material furnished them. The seminar was the first of several planned over the next few months. (M. C. Photo by Norman Gough)

MC Adds Fourteen To Student Recruiting Staff

Mississippi College has added fourteen new members to its student recruiting staff.

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The 14 — all alumni and all unpaid — are volunteers who will give of their time and efforts in contacting prospective students in their own locales for Mississippi College.

Most of the 14 have been top recruiters and promoters of the college for some time. Now, however, they have received some training.

They gathered at the college this week for an Alumni Recruitment Seminar sponsored by the Office of Admissions.

The first meeting of its type to be held by the college, the Seminar was geared toward providing alumni basic information about the college so that they can better assist in student recruitment in their particular localities.

Van D. Quick, director of admissions, spearheaded the day-long program. He indicated that similar programs would be held throughout the year for other alumni.

Attending the initial Seminar were Mr. and Mrs. Hap Womsham, and Rev. Caby Byrne of Memphis, Tenn.; Rev. and Mrs. William P. Smith III, Tupelo; Frank Horton, Baton Rouge; La.; Miss Betty Ruth Harris, Biloxi; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lambuth, McComb; Mr. and Mrs. John Dowdle, Columbus; Mrs. Derry Magee, Kentwood, La.; Robert Garner, Vicksburg; and Rev. Frank Gunn, Forest.

"We wanted to acquaint these prominent alumni with our recruitment program," said Mr. Quick, "so that they can return to their communities and assist us in securing students, and telling the Mississippi College story."

"Most of those with us for this first Seminar have already been assisting us in their hometowns," continued Mr. Quick, "but we felt we should give them more detailed information about our various programs and offerings."

"We are limiting the number we invite to each Seminar session so we

can have a better and more personal exchange of ideas as we discuss our recruitment effort," explained the director.

As participants in the first such undertaking, the alumni on hand this week heard first hand reports from members of the administrative staff on the various aspects of the college.

In addition, they were provided with a specially prepared kit containing vital information on the college and its different programs. The informational packet contains the answer to almost any question they might be asked while recruiting students.

Among those appearing on the program were Dr. Lewis Nobles, college president, who outlined some activities the college would be engaged in shortly and challenged the participants to continue their efforts in promoting the college.

Also on the program were Dr. Charles Martin, vice-president for academic affairs; Dr. Charles Scott, dean of students and chairman of the Financial Aids Committee; Rev. Bradley Pope, director of religious activities; Hartwell McPhail, athletic director and head football coach; Joe Walker, alumni assistant and track coach; and Mr. Quick.

NCC Leader Hold-Up Victim In New York Hotel Elevator

NEW YORK (RNS) — Dr. Cynthia Wedel, president of the National Council of Churches, was the victim of a hold-up at knife-point as she was leaving her hotel here for an appearance on NBC's Today show.

The NCC president was in an elevator in a mid-town hotel when a man, the only other passenger, placed a knife at her back and stopped the car at the 10th floor.

The robber went through her purse and took about \$70 before leaving the room, she reported.



A desk copy of the Bible and a touch of God's own beauty, the magnolia blossom shown as a true testimony as it occurred in an office of Blue Mountain College.

Blue Mountain Principles Deeply Rooted In Past

During the administration of the founder and first president of Blue Mountain College, Mark Perrin Lowery, he planted a magnolia tree on the campus. Today, it is noted by students, faculty, and visitors as a giant tree which stands near the front steps of Whittfield Hall.

Each president who succeeded the first has planted a magnolia tree. Landscape gardeners have planted others which usually produce a profusion of blooms in late May and early June. This year there are blooms in July, much to the delight of all who belong to the campus family.

Recently the only two relatives of the founding family of Blue Mountain

College who serve as members of the current staff, plucked a cluster of blooms from the Founder's Tree for a photo composition the thought came that since Blue Mountain College was founded on love, faith, the Bible, and prayer, the magnolias would be enhanced and glorified in the picture by the addition of a copy of the Bible. Not even taking time to choose a specific chapter, one took her office Bible in hand and it "magically" opened at Psalm 121. She said, "If I had tried to do that, it perhaps would not have happened in a lifetime." The camera could not be focused on the blooms and the Scriptures closely enough for readers to see the chapter heading or its contents, but since the time of the first revelation of the Fou-

ther's family experience, Psalm 121 has been known as "the Blue Mountain Psalm."

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PRESIDENTS VISIT — When Dr. Daniel Grant (center), president of Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Ark., was at Mississippi College to address the American Studies Seminar he was able to visit with a couple of other college presidents. Dr. Lewis Nobles (left), president of Mississippi College, and Dr. R. A. McLemore, president emeritus of Mississippi College and executive secretary of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History. Dr. Grant addressed the Cox Foundation and Texas Educational Association sponsored seminar on "Governing Megalopolis in the Seventies." — (M.C. Photo by Greg Melvold)

Names In The News

William Carey College student, Hilton Pittman, is spending 10 weeks this summer in a special research project at the Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson. Hilton is the recipient of a cardio-vascular research grant. A science major at Carey, Pittman will be a senior this fall. He formerly attended Bass Memorial Academy and Pearl River Junior College.

Jimmy Bilbo assumed the duties of full-time minister of youth and education at First Church, Florence, on July 1. He is well known throughout the state for his work in this field as he served in this capacity at First Church, Louisville; Mc- Laurin

Heights Church, Pearl; and First Church, Magee. Mr. Bilbo received his degree from Mississippi College. He is married to the former Beverly Hunt of Meadville and they are the parents of one son, Trent, seven.

Becky Greer, pictured, 1970 graduate of Blue Mountain, is serving as religious counselor for Camp Crestridge For Girls, Ridgecrest, N. C. This is her second year to serve in this capacity. She also serves as village director for one of the girls' vil-

lages in connection with the camp. Two years before taking the job of religious director, Becky served one year as summer missionary in Maryland, and one year as summer missionary in California. She will be elementary teacher in the public school system in Decatur, Ala. during the fall term of school. Becky is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Matthew L. Greer of Charleston, pastor of Corinth Church, Tallahatchie Association.

Rev. & Mrs. Paul S. C. Smith, missionaries to Jordan, are scheduled to depart July 21 for furlough in the States (address: 521 N. Jefferson, Farmington, Mo. 63640). Mr. Smith was born in Silver Creek, Miss.

Mrs. Annie Miller Watson, 81, emeritus missionary to Brazil, died June 29 in Columbia, S. C. A funeral service was to be held July 1 at Kilbourne Park Baptist Church, Columbia, with burial in Latta, S. C. With her late husband, S. L. Watson; she had served under the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board for 36 years before retiring in 1950. He died in 1966.

Rev. J. P. Everett, pastor of Sartaria Baptist Church, and Mrs. Everett just recently returned from Tripoli, Libya, North Africa where they visited their daughter and her family. Mrs. Ray Snowden. Mr. Everett had the privilege of preaching at the First Baptist Church of Tripoli and also at a church at Marsa El Brega which is 500 miles from Tripoli. He took several slides of the country of Libya and will be available after the revival in August to come to any church that would like to know something of what North Africa is like and the work that is being done there.

Kerry Grantham, prominent Jackson insurance executive, has been named general chairman of the 10th Annual Fund Drive of the Mississippi College Alumni Association it was announced this week.

Charles Lewis of Meridian, president of the Alumni Association, announced Grantham's appointment. He succeeds William Dalehite of Jackson, who successfully chairman the 1970-71 drive.

The 9th Annual Fund, under the leadership of Dalehite, raised \$139,505.87, over \$14,000 more than the announced goal of \$125,000.

Grantham, currently superintendent of agencies for the Southern Region of the Fidelity Union Life Insurance Company, has been an active alumnus of Mississippi College since his graduation in 1957. He is a native of Hattiesburg.

Rev. Charles Dikes, pictured, was ordained to the gospel ministry on May 23 by the Pine Grove Church, Quitman, at the request of Eucutta Church of Waynesboro. Mr. Dikes is married to the former Mary Alice Causey and he and his wife have two sons, Doug,

11, and David, 8. Rev. W. W. Boggan, superintendent of missions, Clarke and Wayne Counties, served as moderator. Rev. William Bedford is pastor at Pine Grove. Eucutta has called Mr. Dikes as pastor.



Rev. Philip W. Stone, pictured above with his wife, has joined McComb's First Church staff as associate pastor with special emphasis on music and youth. Born in Sumter, S. C., he holds the B. A. degree from Augusta College. He will receive the master of divinity degree from New Orleans Seminary in the spring of 1972, completing his work this December. Mr. Stone was ordained by the Home Branch Church of Manning, S. C. in 1968. He goes to McComb from First Church, Houma, La. Mrs. Stone is the former Sherry Ruth Byrd. They were married in 1968. She holds the B. A. degree from Carson-Newman College. Dr. John Lee Taylor is pastor at First, McComb.

Rev. Bill McCreary was ordained into the gospel ministry on July 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant Church, Holmes County, Rev. Harry Jones, pastor. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John McCreary. Rev. Walter Ballard, Batesville, preached the ordination sermon. Mr. McCreary is serving as pastor of Unity Church, Attala County.

Leland Hurt, Jr., pictured, began his duties at Pleasant Hill Church, New Albany, Union County, as music and youth director, on June 20. He is a graduate of Northeast Mississippi Junior College and University of Mississippi, with a major in music education.

He has served East Heights Church, Tupelo. While in college he was student director of chorus, state vice-president and state president of the Music Educators' National Conference; was elected to the Hall of Fame and "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities." Rev. H. L. Barnes, Jr. is pastor of the Pleasant Hill Church.

Dr. Eugene Stockstill is leaving Lynchburg, Virginia, after four years on the development staff at Lynchburg College. He leaves to become associated with Robert M. Mims of Jackson, regional director of Financial Service Corporation. FSC through its representatives offer clients a total financial program of lifetime planning which is called the Balanced Financial Plan. The clients' (including hospitals, churches, individuals, etc.) current financial position is carefully measured against long-range objectives, and a professional statement shows how the client may realistically reach these objectives. Dr. Stockstill is a native of Hattiesburg, and holds degrees from Mississippi College and New Orleans Seminary. In addition to his service at Lynchburg College, he has also worked on the staffs of Judson College, Marion, Alabama; and Campbell College, Buies Creek, N.C.



Rev. John Charles Murphy has resigned as pastor of Union Church, Picayune (Pearl River) to accept the pastorate of First Church, Commerce, Texas. During his three-year pastorate at Union, much growth has occurred. Of the 197 new members who have joined, 56 have been as new Christians. Sunday School enrollment has grown from 295 to 390 while average attendance has increased from 165 to 227. Training Union enrollment has increased from 190 to 287 with average attendance climbing from 95 to 146. Total financial receipts increased from \$35,343 to \$51,457 and the church property valued at \$250,000 is now debt free. Sunday, July 25 will be Mr. Murphy's last Sunday at Union Church. All members and friends are invited to be present at the 11 a. m. service.

The Association of Southern Baptist Colleges and Schools elected President James E. Southland president of Baptist Bible Institute, Graceville, Fla. as vice-president during their annual June meeting in Nashville, Tenn. President Gordon Blackwell of Furman University is the ASBCS president, with Dr. H. L. Hester of Liberty, Mo., re-elected secretary-treasurer.



Rev. Charles Gentry is pastor of Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, has added another full-time staff member. William A. "Dick" Love has assumed duties as minister of music and youth. Mr. Love is the son of Rev. and Mrs. John B. Love of Topeka, Kansas. A graduate of Mississippi College, he earned the Bachelor of Music degree in Church Music with Vocal Emphasis. He has appeared in the Jackson Opera Association's productions and also played major roles in musicals and plays at Mississippi College. Engaged to be married on August 15, to Marianne Mullens of West Point, Mississippi's "Miss Hospitality" for 1970-1971, Mr. Love goes to Morrison Heights from Star Church, Star, where he served two years as minister of music and youth. Rev. Charles Gentry is pastor of Morrison Heights Church.

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William Carey College's summer school program always attracts young people from the Hattiesburg area who are home on vacation from other colleges and universities throughout the south. During the first 5-week semester twenty-seven top calibre "transient" students gained valuable credit in Carey's summer courses. Shown posing as they prepared for class are Carol Herring, a junior at Vanderbilt University, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. George Herring of Hattiesburg; and, Ab Jones, a junior at Mississippi State University. Ab, the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Jones, is the great-grandson of Abner Polk — an early benefactor of William Carey College for whom one of the men's dormitories is named. Carey's second 5-week summer session began on July 12.

Famed Preacher Dies

LONDON (RNS) — The former Anglican Bishop of Southwark, England, Bishop Bertram Fitzgerald Simpson, regarded by many as the Church of England's greatest preacher of the past generation, died here in a church hostel following a brief illness. He was 87.

Purvis Calls Pastor

Rev. Thomas M. Hall, pictured assumed duties as pastor of Purvis, First Church Sunday, June 13. A native of Fayetteville, N. C. received his B. A. degree from William Carey College and B. D. degree from New Orleans



Mr. Hall served three years as Flight Engineer on heavy bombers, completed combat tour of 35 bombing missions, has traveled and preached in crusades in Germany, South Africa, New Zealand, and Australia.

He is married to the former Nadine Holland of Fayetteville, and they have two children, Mrs. Nanette Murphree of New Orleans and Tom, Jr. age 11. A reception for Rev. and Mrs. Hall was held in the church fellowship hall following a recent evening worship service.

On July 16, 1945, first atomic bomb is exploded in the desert at Alamogordo, New Mexico, but public announcement is withheld until August 8th.

Called To Kentucky

Rev. William Jenkins, pastor of Southside Church, Benoit, since 1968, is the new pastor of Sugar Grove Church, near Owensboro, Kentucky.

Mr. Jenkins, a native of Yazoo City, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Jenkins, Sr. He is a 1970 graduate of Delta State College, Cleveland.

Mr. Jenkins is married to the former Josephine (Jo) Reeves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Reeves, also of Yazoo City. They moved into the church parsonage at Utica, Kentucky, on July 15. Mr. Jenkins will be serving on the church field and attending Southern Seminary.

It is interesting to note that Sugar Grove is the same church pastored by another Mississippian during his seminary days — Dr. Carl Bates, current president of the Southern Baptist Convention!

His survivors, Mrs. Loustalot, and their four children — Mrs. J. C. Hamilton of New Orleans, Mrs. J. L. Covington of Baton Rouge, Miss Diana Loustalot of Miami, and Fleetwood Loustalot, Jr., of Hattiesburg — expressed their deep appreciation for the contributions as a memorial to Mr. Loustalot.

Mr. Clerihew said: "The bus will be used by the youth of the church; it is the beginning of a whole new ministry. Morning and evening routes will be run on Sunday — more people can come to church and take part in church trips."

The youth of South 28th Avenue Baptist Church, recognizing the need for a church bus for youth functions and other special events, began a campaign to raise funds for the purchase of a used bus. During the spring and summer of last year they raised approximately \$400.

"In August, Fleetwood Loustalot, a deacon in the church, was killed in an accident," related Rev. George Clerihew, pastor. Profoundly interested in the young people whom he recognized to be the leaders of the future, Mr. Loustalot had often expressed the hope that, instead of purchasing a used bus, the youth would be able to buy a new one. It seemed an unrealistic goal.

"Following Mr. Loustalot's untimely death, a memorial fund was set up in his name. During the youth revival in September, the church voted to purchase a new bus from these memorial funds to which contributions were made from within the church, by members of the immediate family, and by friends outside the church.

"According to Mr. Loustalot's widow, it was during the latter part of his life that her husband became com-

pletely dedicated to Christ. She finds comfort in her conviction that God will be glorified through her husband's death."

Said Mrs. Loustalot: "Contributions came in; people who knew him best knew his dedication to the church."

Mr. Loustalot had lived in Hattiesburg since the age of six. He was the first man employed by B. L. Chain in Chain Electric Co. and he worked there for 15 years.

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Family Roles And Relationships

By Clifton J. Allen

Exodus 20:12; Ephesians 5:21 to 6:4
Family roles and relationships are crucially important. They need to be understood in the light of biblical teaching, and they need to be fulfilled as a matter of Christian obligation. Failure to understand these roles and to carry them out with fidelity explains much of the breakdown in family life today. The roles and relationships involved apply to husband and wife and to parents and children. The Fifth Commandment, which we are to study, speaks pointedly to children, and this includes adults in relationship to their parents. And in our lesson passage from Ephesians we have a sublime revelation of the Christian pattern for family relationships, which is really a manual for daily guidance in family living.

The Lesson Explained

Respect For Parents

Exodus 20:12

God commands that honor be shown to parents. This means that children, whether in childhood or adulthood, are to put value upon father and mother and give honor to them in

keeping with God's purpose for them. We are under obligation to them because from birth they have cared for us, protected us, and provided for us. In infancy and childhood we were dependent on them for instruction, training, and security. If parents have fulfilled God's purpose, children have received from them spiritual nurture and discipline, instruction and training leading toward faith in God and the faithful worship of God. Parents are due respect and gratitude and loving care when their children have grown to adulthood and when they themselves may be dependent on their children. This commandment of course assumes that father and mother will strive to be worthy of honor, that they will be persons of integrity and truly devoted to their children.

Living Together In Love

Ephesians 5:21-26

This passage sets for the Christian ideal for the husband-wife relationship. The admonition to the wife to submit to her husband recognizes God's purpose that the husband shall be the head of the family. She is to do this "as unto the Lord," that is, as an expression of her faith in the Lord and her commitment to the purpose of the Lord in marriage. Just as Christ is the head of the church, God has established that the husband shall be the head of the family. But see sub-

mitts to her husband voluntarily, and all the more willingly because his love for her is to be like Christ's love for the church. The husband is to love his wife to the degree that he is willing to give his life for her well-being. If a husband loves like this and thinks of his wife as his own flesh, he could not desire to mistreat her or exploit her or in any way selfishly impose his will on her. Rather, he will nourish and cherish her for the fulfillment of her role and for her greatest joy.

Parents-Children Relationships

Ephesians 6:1-4

Here we have the virtual repetition of the Fifth Commandment. It is not expected that parents will exercise despotic authority or require blind obedience. Rather, it is expected that parents will fulfill their role of exercising authority with love and requiring obedience by supplying motivation and helpful guidance. Without the exercise of parental authority eliciting obedience and respect from children, children will grow up to be irresponsible, spoiled, self-centered, and perverted in attitudes and in habits.

But the role of parents really comes first. They are not to provoke their children to wrath; that is, not to rebuke them with impulsive anger, not to discourage them with petty nagging, not to require from them something beyond their ability, and never



Industrial Missions

Church Conducts Weekly Bible Study For Workers At Nearby Plant

Each Thursday at noon the Westside Church of Bruce has a Bible study. It is designed for ladies who are working at a plant nearby; however, it is open to the general public, for both men and women. On the first Thursday the pastor, Rev. R. A. Coulter, teaches the WMS Bible Study for the month. On other days local pastors bring the Bible study. This group started with nine ladies and has reached a peak attendance of

fifty. Average attendance is about thirty-three. Nineteen different churches are represented in the group of ladies and men attending. They come to the church and eat their sack lunch while a pastor brings the study. "Westside wishes to take this opportunity to invite others in the area who can to attend these rich Bible studies," states Pastor Coulter.

Petal-Harvey Church

Calls New Pastor

Rev. Jerry Henderson (pictured) has accepted the pastorage of Petal-Harvey Church, Petal. For the past

three years and eleven months Mr. Henderson has served as pastor of the Calvary Church, Waynesboro.

Under his leadership the Calvary Church made considerable progress in many areas. During this period there were 263 additions to the church. A new educational building and parsonage were built. The sanctuary was carpeted and new choir robes were purchased. New records were set in Sunday School, Training Union and church attendance.

Mr. Henderson is a native of Cartage. He received his B.A. degree from Mississippi College and the Th.M. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Henderson is the former Shirley Freeny of Cartage. They have four children, three boys, Jay, Todd and Stacy and one girl, Kristi.

Sunday School Lesson: Life and Work

Foundations of Racial Harmony

Gen. 1:26-27; Luke 10:25-37;

Acts 17:22-31

By Bill Duncan

There have been many efforts made to insure racial harmony. The legal method has been used most of all. Today the Supreme Court has established the terms for what is called racial justice. But this does not mean racial harmony. The brute method of force has been used to police and protect people from racial discrimination. Many people have said there was racial harmony in their community, when it was only they ignored one another. The best way to promote racial harmony is to use the Biblical principles. This is the first of three lessons on the theme of race relations. Before you close your mind to the subject, think of what a crucial problem this is in our world. Most of the methods that have been used have failed. God must have a better method.

Every section of the world has a minority group that is the object of abuse or hate. How many people do you know of another race? By race I mean a group of persons connected by common descent that have certain physical peculiarities. Do you know any American Indians? Most of these are very poor and live on reservations. Do you know any Chinese? In our state many of these are wealthy business people. Do you know any Latin Americans that speak Spanish? On a world-wide scale the white race is in the minority.

Most of the racial problems are because there is lack of understanding and knowledge of the other person's problem. So much of our troubles come about because of outside pressure and conflict.

In the day of Jesus there were racial problems. The Jew vs. Gentile conflict was seen in the early church. This was more apparent in Jerusalem than anywhere else. By Christian love and understanding they were able to work out their problem.

The Beginning of the Human Race
Whether you are a scientist or a student of the Bible, one can believe that all mankind came from a single source. Adam was the first man created.

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ated by God and from that family all the peoples of the earth have come. This man (Adam) and his family are different from the animals in that they express the image of God. As a person, he has the ability to think, to feel and to will. As a self-conscious being he is conscious of other people as well.

The commission of God to man was to have dominion over all of creation. God had delegated to man the position he had enjoyed. Man was not to be a victim of his environment but man was to overcome his surrounding condition and the related creatures.

Man was created by God in the same sense that he created the heavens and the earth. Man as a person has no equals or close kin in the animal world. Man has many physical features like his animal friends, but they lack the spiritual and psychological nature.

When Paul challenged the men of Athens, he met his audience on its own ground and explained Jesus Christ to them. He acknowledged the truth of the Stoic and Epicurean thought but exposed their error as well. God was presented as a Spirit, Creator, Father, who made all men from a common origin and expects all men to be responsible to Him. The truth that God is distinct from his creatures but since we are his offspring is the divine nature of our J-

He corrected the Epicurean doctrine that God is completely transcendent and indifferent to human affairs by asserting that he not only created all that is but he sustains, directs all that is.

The Athenians boasted with local pride that they sprang from their own soil as a separate people. This was rebuked by Paul as he declared that all nations were made from one. We are all one people with differences. This serves to bear out the point that there are no superior nations or

races as the objects of God's love, but he purposed to remake all sinning mankind into one saved company.

The story of the "good Samaritan" is best seen from the crossing of racial lines to help another in need. The Jewish leader had asked the question who is my neighbor that I should love with a positive action of concern and help. Jesus told the story to show him that he did not have a neighborly spirit toward the Samaritans thereby convicting him of sin. The Jewish leader thought in his narrow spirit of concern that he was living right. There never has been any stranger feeling of hate and discrimination as one could see in Jesus' day between these two groups that lived so close together but yet so far apart. The Bible principle of love stresses concern for all people and when we have an opportunity to help, we should.

Student Magazine Wins Coveted Award

NASHVILLE (BP)—"The Student" magazine, publication of National Student Ministries, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, has been presented a "National Award of Excellence" in the National Graphic Arts Award Competition. The competition is sponsored by the Printing Industry of America and this year drew 3,400 entries.

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Devotional

To Give Is To Live

By C. J. Olander, Tchula, Miss.

Paul had summoned the elders of the church in Ephesus to meet him at the seaport, Miletus, for a fellowship conference before departing for Jerusalem for the day of Pentecost. He felt that this could be the last time that they would be face to face on this earth. The Holy Spirit had warned that trouble and prison awaited him.

Now, he was placing them in God's care, and committing to them the message of God's grace. He had some words of advice that he felt would be of help. He urged them to follow the example he had set during his three ministry in Ephesus. In addition he insisted that they help the weak calling their attention to the words of the Lord Jesus when he said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

In the cavernous limestone country of Kentucky there are many sink holes. With few streams, above ground ponds were needed to supply water for the stock. To make a pond of a sink it was necessary to seal the hole. This was often done by attracting the hogs to wallow in the wet dirt in the bottom. Soon it would hold water. As the rains fell the water would accumulate. Since there was no outlet and it continued to receive the rains occasionally it would become stagnant. It would then become a "Stink Hole" that soon became offensive to the area.

To me this was and is a picture of people who are constantly receiving God's blessings and who are never contributing of their time, talent, influence and means for the uplift of humanity. They become "Stink Holes" that become a nuisance and a hindrance in the church and the community. On the other hand those who give themselves and their means to win the lost, and to support the weak discover that "there is more happiness in giving than in receiving."

To give means to live.



New Annex Dedicated At McLaurin

A new educational annex (above) was dedicated debt-free at the First Church, McLaurin, Rev. George Bosarge, pastor. The building was constructed by the people themselves, with the men doing the building and the women doing the cooking. It contains six classrooms, bathrooms, a kitchen, and a large space for fellowship and assembly. The building has 3100 square feet, central air conditioning and heating, recessed lighting, and is panelled throughout. The savings were tremendous, and as in many other cases, it shows what God's people can do by working together, the pastor said.

Bible Featured In Hungarian Series

BUDAPEST (RNS) — Communist Hungary's radio network will soon begin broadcasting a 10-part program on "What is the Bible?"

Radio Hungary said the program is designed "to acquaint listeners with the cultural aspects of the Bible."

Revival Dates

Concord Church (Yazoo) August 1-6; homecoming dinner on the grounds, Sunday, Aug. 1; pastor of South Park Church, Bethel Park, Pennsylvania, evangelist; music under direction of Pete Neely of Concord Church; Rev. Cliff Shipp, pastor.

Parkway, Houston: August 15-20; First, New Albany; Music Director: Tom Hardin; Houston; Pastor: Rev. Ira Bright.

Robinswood Church, Brandon: August 1-6; Rev. G. A. McCoy, pastor, Jupiter Church, Mendenhall, and Bible teacher at Miss. Baptist High Schools, Inc. of Jackson, evangelist; Allan Stephens, student at Mississippi College, singer; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Charles King, Jackson, pastor.

Blythe Creek (Choctaw): Aug. 8-13; Rev. Paul Cain, pastor; Rev. Jerry Dorr of South Carolina, evangelist; Bobby White of Jackson, song leader; weekday services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Paul Church: August 8-14; Rev. Harris Counce, left above, pastor at Iuka, evangelist; Bill Wilson, right, Emmanuel, Grenada, singer; Rev. Jimmy McHann, pastor; services at 7:30 p.m. during week; homecoming August 8, with lunch at the church and an afternoon of music, fellowship, and messages.

Sunrise Church, near Hattiesburg: August 8-13; Dr. Joe H. Cothen, pastor, Oak Park Church, New Orleans, La., evangelist; James R. Blakeney, Southside Church, Monroeville, Ala., singer; services at 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; homecoming on August 8, with the morning service followed by dinner in the educational building; Rev. Ray McCorkle, pastor.

Linn Church, (Sunflower): August 1-6; homecoming August 1, with lunch at the church; Rev. Norris Garner, pastor, Yale Street Church, Cleveland, evangelist; services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday; Sunday: 10:30 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Rev. Dale Wilson, pastor.

Morrison Chapel Church, Cleveland: Aug. 1-6; Dr. J. Clark Hensley (pictured) Christian Action Commission, Jackson, evangelist; Russell Willingham, Yale Street Church, Cleveland, music director;

organist; Miss Penny Hooper, pianist; services 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. DeWitt Mitchell pastor.

Strong Hope Church, Wesson: August 1-6; Rev. George Meadows, pastor, First Church, Hazlehurst, evangelist; Mrs. Bobby Reid, music director; Regular Sunday morning services with dinner at the church; afternoon services; no Sunday night services; weekday services 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Perry T. Culver, pastor.

Mt. Moriah Church, Weir: August 1-6; Rev. James L. Harney, pastor, Emmanuel Church, Lawrenceburg, Tenn., evangelist; services 10:45 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; Rev. Abbie Thibodeaux, pastor.

New Hope Church (Tate): August 1-6; Rev. Hershel Clanton, Gilbert, La., evangelist; services 7:30 p.m. each evening; Rev. Ron C. Wilson, pastor.

Clear Branch Church (Rankin): August 1-6; Rev. James Allen, Candlestick Park Church, evangelist; Bobby Campbell, song director; dinner on the ground, Sunday, August 1; Rev. George Lewis, pastor.

Zion Church (Pontotoc): August 1-6; Rev. Billy L. Harris, Birmingham, Ala., evangelist; Jerrell Rogers, Picayune, music director; Rev. Truman D. Scarborough, pastor.

McAdams Church (Attala): August 1-6; Rev. H. C. Milner, pastor, Van Winkle Church, Jackson, Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Derrill Billingsley, First Church, Kosciusko, song director; services 10:30 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.; Rev. H. C. Adams, pastor.

Dry Creek Church, Preston: Aug. 1-6; Rev. Alex McGrew, Jasper, Tenn., evangelist; services 7:30 p.m. and 10:30 a.m.; Rev. J. F. Hagwood, pastor.

Blackwater (Kemper): July 25-30; Rev. Richard Clement, pastor, West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo, evangelist; dinner on the grounds Sunday followed by services at 1:30 p.m.; weekday services 10:30 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; Rev. Gary Rivers, pastor.

BAPTIST VIEWPOINT

84 Per Cent Of SBC Messengers Church Worker Survey Shows

NASHVILLE (BP) — A poll of 7,310 messengers attending the Southern Baptist Convention in St. Louis in June showed that 84.4 per cent were members of a church staff, the wife of a church staff member, a denominational worker or missionary.

A total of 15.1 per cent of the 7,310 messengers indicated they were laymen in "secular" employment, or "homemakers."

The percentages add to more than 100 per cent because of multiple answers, especially in the "homemaker" category, according to Martin B. Bradley, secretary of the research and statistics department for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Of the 7,310 messengers, 52.4 per cent said they were staff members of a Southern Baptist church. Wives of church staff members accounted for 20.9 per cent.

In other related categories, 1.7 per cent indicated they were home or foreign missionaries, 3.8 per cent said they were workers for Baptist associations, 3.0 per cent were state convention staff members, 2.2 per cent indicated they were denominational workers, and .4 per cent said they were evangelists.

Clear Branch Plans Homecoming Revival

Clear Branch Church (Lincoln) will observe Homecoming Services August 1. Revival Services will also begin on this date.

The speaker for Sunday and for the week will be Rev. Barney Padgett of the Gallman Baptist Church.

"We are expecting a great day and a great Revival," states Talmadge Smith, pastor.

Benson To Speak At New Salem (Attala)

Rev. Howard B. Benson, pastor, First Baptist Church, Carrollton, Ga., will bring the homecoming message Sunday, July 25, at New Salem Church (Attala); Rev. Benson is a native of the community.

Satartia Church (Yazoo): August 1-6; Rev. Jordan, pastor, Bethlehem Church, evangelist, services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. J. P. Everett, pastor.

Moselle Memorial Church (Jones): August 9-15; Rev. Dewey Gardner, Crestview Church, San Antonio, Texas, evangelist; R. V. Smith, song director; services 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Bobby Walker, pastor.

New Salem Church, Lowndes: Aug. 1-6; Rev. Joel Haire, pastor, First Neely, music director, First Church West Point, song leader; Rev. B. B. McGee, pastor.

Bethel Church (Jones): July 25-Aug. 1; services 8 p.m.; Rev. W. O. Pippen, pastor and evangelist through Thursday night; young people in charge Friday-Sunday night; Donald Gatin, singer; Miss Kathy Pippen, pianist.

Riverside Church, Monday: July 26-Aug. 1; Rev. G. C. Johnson, pastor, Second, Tupelo, evangelist; services 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.; Rev. Marion Holley, pastor.

Murphy Creek Church, Louisville: Aug. 1-6; Rev. Grady Crowell, pastor, First Church of Felicity, Ohio, evangelist; Noxie J. Taylor, minister of music at First, Louisville, singer; Rev. Arnold Davis, pastor.

Coldwater Church (Tate): August 1-6; Dr. John G. McCall, pastor, First Church, Vicksburg, evangelist; Tommy Howard, First Church, Leeland, music director; services 10 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. A. S. Kay, pastor.

Valley Park (Issaquena): homecoming, Sunday, August 1; August 1-6; Rev. Curtis James, pastor, Pocahontas, evangelist; Roy Fontaine, song director; Sunday services usual time; weekday services 8:00 p.m. nightly; Youth fellowship Thursday night; Rev. Arlis Smith, pastor.

Morgan Chapel, Sturgis: Aug. 1-6; Rev. John Ed Snell, pastor, First Church, Jena, La., evangelist; John Temple, singer and pastor; services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Joe Herndon, pastor.

Antioch Church, (Holmes): Aug. 1-6; Rev. W. J. Murray, pastor, Rockhill Church, Brandon, Evangelist; Mrs. Elizabeth Evans, First Baptist Church, Lexington, singer; services Sunday 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; weekday 8 p.m.; Rev. Lyn Nations, pastor.

Sebastopol Church (Scott): August 1-6; Rev. Leo Barker, pastor, First Church, Noxapater, evangelist; Eddie Estes, director of music; services Sunday 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; weekday 10 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; Rev. W. A. Troutman, pastor.

Blackwater (Kemper): July 25-30; Rev. Richard Clement, pastor, West Jackson Street Church, Tupelo, evangelist; dinner on the grounds Sunday followed by services at 1:30 p.m.; weekday services 10:30 a.m. and 7:45 p.m.; Rev. Gary Rivers, pastor.

East Bonneville Church (Prentiss): Aug. 1-6; Rev. Jim Futral, Ft. Worth, Texas, evangelist; Enoch Stacy, singer; Mrs. Dyann Hannon, organist; Mrs. Charlene Church, pianist; services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Joe Herndon, pastor.

REVIVAL RESULTS

Goodwater Church (Smith): July 11-16; Rev. Zeno Wells, superintendent of missions for Jackson Association, evangelist; 7 professions of faith; 3 by letter; Rev. Clarence J. Hughes, pastor.



Those taking part in the Nesbit Church groundbreaking were deacons and building committee, from left: C. M. Billingsley, chairman of building committee; Rev. Ervin Brown, superintendent of missions, DeSoto Baptist Association; DeWitt May; H. M. Billingsley; Rev. H. S. Rogers, pastor, with shovel; Burl Mayfield; Rev. James Melton, associate pastor; W. D. Gardner; Harold Poss, chairman of deacons.

Nesbit Church Has Groundbreaking

The Nesbit Baptist Church Sunday construction on their new sanctuary, to seat about 500, will begin soon. The church plans to continue to use their present buildings as educational facilities for a while, but eventually will move all their services to the new site. Mr. Rogers, who has been pastor less than a year, states that over 100 additions have been made to the church since his becoming pastor and a very active children and youth programs have been begun. Also, the church now operates three small buses to enlist and reach the people of the community.

Watterson Named Director of Alabama Sunday Schools

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (BP) — Donald H. Watterson, pastor of Cottage Hills Baptist Church in Mobile, Ala., has been elected director of the Sunday School department for the Alabama Baptist Convention with offices here.

Watterson, pastor of the 3,200-member Mobile church for the past seven years, was previously pastor of churches in Atmore and Headland, Ala.; Duran, Okla.; and Denton, Tex.

He is a graduate of Samford University, Birmingham; Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth; and has done graduate work in psychology and counseling at North Texas State University, Denton, Tex.

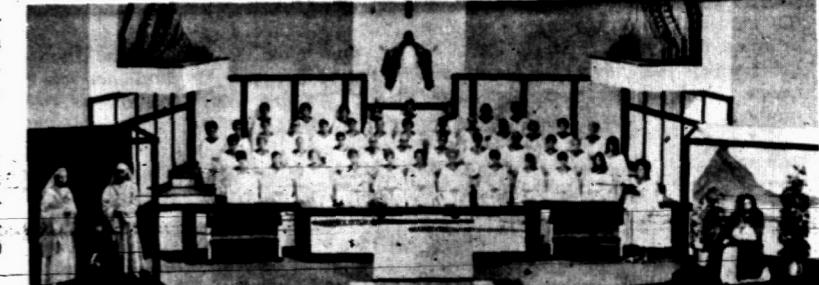
Watterson succeeds Ellis Bush who is now director of the Church Development Division for the state convention and its Executive Board. The Sunday School department is a part of the division Bush directs.

Off The Record

When an earthquake struck Seattle, pictures and lamps began crashing to the floor. A young father dashed into a bedroom, grabbed his 3-year old son and ran for the door. "I didn't do it, daddy, I didn't do it!" the boy pleaded. —W. C. Hultgren

A lot of people are like buttons—always popping off at the wrong time. —War Cry

WINDY
Harry: I haven't spoken to my wife in two weeks.
Rich: Why not?
Harry: I don't want to interrupt her.



Request For Repeat Of "The King Is Coming"

The Sanctuary Choir of Pascagoula's Calvary Baptist Church has been requested to repeat the dramatic musical, "The King Is Coming." The Musical will be presented Tuesday July 27, and Wednesday, July 28, at 7:30 p.m. in Calvary's Sanctuary.

"The King Is Coming" is an original dramatic musical, dealing with the second coming of Christ. Author of the script is Mrs. Jim Burkes. Mrs. Byron Mathis, director of the choir,

has set the script to drama and song.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Weaver and Mrs. Betty Gray are in charge of the dramatics. Accompanists will be Mrs. Larry Hollingsworth, organist; Mrs. Van Graham, pianist. Rev. James Miller and Buddy Mathis will narrate the pantomime scenes.

Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor, would like to invite everyone to see and hear this most inspiring and unusual performance.



Stalnecker's Lead In Olive Branch Community Crusade

The churches in the Olive Branch community held a Crusade in the football field July 11-18 led by Ed Stalnecker and his evangelistic team.

Thirty-two candidates for baptism joined different churches in the community at the end of the crusade. 97 Christians made special dedication of life. Also the final service revealed there was something like 400 commit-

ments made public for the glory of the Lord.

The attendance each evening amounted to more than one half of the town population. One of the laymen stated that in 21 years of his life in Olive Branch that the Crusade was the greatest thing that had ever happened in this area.

Ed Stalnecker did the preaching and also led the choir, made up of local people. Bette Stalnecker was featured as the contralto soloist.

Also their two sons and the family brought many messages in song. Bob and Suzanne Mathis travel with the team as their accompanists.

To Speak at Grandview
Rev. Buddy Beam, pastor of Franklin Baptist Church, Madison County, is to be the guest speaker at Grandview Baptist Church in Pearl Sunday, August 1, at 11:00 a.m. Buddy and his wife, the former Martha Sullivan, of Winona, are to leave for West Virginia August 14. They will be serving for two years under the Home Mission Board in the U. S. - 2 Program. Dorothy Jean Latham, missionary to Brazil, now on furlough, will be the speaker at Grandview Church, Jackson, on Sunday evening worship hour, 7 p.m. Sunday Aug. 1.

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